

complications related to aging, including menopause, which includes research on the treatments, and on medical devices and other medical interventions regarding these diseases, disorders, and complications that can assist individuals in avoiding institutionalization and prolonged hospitalization and in otherwise increasing the independence of the individuals;

(9) For purposes of grants authorized by section 447 of the Act, a single institution or consortium of cooperating institutions which conducts basic and clinical research on chronic fatigue syndrome;

(10) For purposes of grants authorized by section 452A of the Act, a single institution or consortium of cooperating institutions which conducts clinical and other applied research, training programs, continuing education programs, and information programs with respect to methods of contraception and infertility;

(11) For purposes of grants authorized by section 452C of the Act, an agency or institution which conducts research with respect to child health, and gives priority to the expeditious transfer of advances from basic science to clinical applications and improving the care of infants and children;

(12) For purposes of grants authorized by section 464C of the Act, a single institution or a consortium of cooperating institutions which conducts basic and clinical research into, training in, information and continuing education programs for health professionals and the general public about, and demonstration of, advanced diagnostic, prevention, and treatment methods for disorders of hearing and other communication processes and complications resulting from these disorders;

(13) For purposes of grants authorized by section 464J of the Act, an entity engaged in long-term interdisciplinary research relating to alcoholism and other alcohol problems;

(14) For purposes of grants authorized by section 464N of the Act, an entity for interdisciplinary research relating to drug abuse and other biomedical, behavioral, and social issues related to drug abuse; or

(15) For purposes of grants authorized by section 2316 of the Act, an entity for basic and clinical research into, and training in, advanced diagnostic, prevention, and treatment methods for acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.

(16) As provided in the section of the Act authorizing the particular program or on the determination of the Director, a center may include the facilities of a single institution or a consortium of cooperating institutions and, if practical, may be part of an equitable geographical distribution of centers with proven research capabilities.

Director means the Director of NIH or the organizational component authorized to award grants to support centers under this part.

Grant(s) means, unless the context otherwise requires, an award of funds to support a center authorized under § 52a.1. The term includes cooperative agreement(s).

NIH means the National Institutes of Health and its organizational components that award grants.

Nonprofit as applied to any agency or institution means an agency or institution which is a corporation or an association, no part of the net earnings of which inures or may lawfully inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

Project period means the period of time, from one to five years, specified in the notice of grant award that the NIH or the awarding component intends to support a proposed center without requiring the center to re compete for funds.

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§ 52a.3 Who is eligible to apply?

(a) Any public or private nonprofit agency, institution, or consortium of agencies is eligible to apply for a grant under sections 414, 417, 417A, 422, 445, 445A, 447, 452A, and 2316 of the Act.

(b) Any public or private nonprofit or for-profit agency, institution, or consortium of agencies is eligible to apply for a grant under sections 431, 441, 452C, 464C, 464J, and 464N of the Act.

(c) Any applicant under this part must be located in a State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin

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Islands, the Canal Zone, Guam, American Samoa, or the successor States of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau).

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§ 52a.4 What information must each application contain?

Each application under this part must include detailed information as to the following:

- (a) The personnel, facilities, and other resources available to the applicant with which to initiate and maintain the proposed center grants program;
- (b) Any research, training, demonstration, or information dissemination activities in which the applicant is currently engaged; the sources of funding for these activities; and the relevance of these activities to the proposed center grants program;
- (c) Proposed research, training, demonstration, and information dissemination activities;
- (d) The proposed organizational structure of the center and the relationship of the proposed center to the applicant organization(s);
- (e) The names and qualifications of the center director and key staff members who would be responsible for conducting the proposed activities;
- (f) Proposed methods for monitoring and evaluating individual activities and the overall center program;
- (g) Proposed methods for coordinating the center's activities, where appropriate, with similar efforts by other public and private organizations;
- (h) The availability of any community resources necessary to carry out proposed activities; and
- (i) Efforts to be made to generate and collect income from sources other than NIH to be used to further the purposes of the center program. NIH encourages these efforts. Income may include, but is not limited to, that generated from the sale or rental of products or services produced by grant-supported activities, such as laboratory tests, computer time, and payments received from patients or third parties, where appropriate (the disposition of grant-

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related income is governed by 45 CFR 74.40 through 74.47 and 45 CFR 92.25);

(j) The proposed budget for the center and a justification for the amount of the grant funds requested; and

(k) Any other information that the Director of the awarding institute may request.

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§ 52a.5 How will NIH evaluate applications?

(a) NIH considers the following in evaluating Center grant applications:

- (1) The scientific and technical merit of the proposed program;
- (2) The qualifications and experience of the center director and other key personnel;
- (3) The statutory and program purposes to be accomplished;
- (4) The extent to which the various components of the proposed program would be coordinated into one multidisciplinary effort within the center;
- (5) The extent to which the center's activities would be coordinated with similar efforts by other organizations;
- (6) The administrative and managerial capability of the applicant;
- (7) The reasonableness of the proposed budget in relation to the proposed program; and
- (8) Other factors which the awarding institute, center, or division considers appropriate in light of its particular statutory mission.

(b) Where required by statute or NIH policy, applications are reviewed by appropriate national advisory councils or boards before awards are made. NIH grants may be awarded generally only after approval recommendations from both appropriate scientific peer review groups and national advisory councils or boards.

§ 52a.6 Information about grant awards.

(a) The notice of grant award specifies how long NIH intends to support the project without requiring the project to recompete for funds. This period, called the project period, will usually be for 1–5 years.

(b) Generally, the grant will initially be for one year, and subsequent continuation awards will also be for one